

REMARKS

Claims 1-5, 8-11, 13-15, 17 and 21-26 are pending. Claims 6-7, 12, 16 and 18-20 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claims 1-2, 14-15 and 17 have been amended. Claims 21-26 have been added.

This Amendment is in response to a telephone conference with the Examiner on November 1, 2010 that addressed the lack of anticipation by Japanese Patent No. JP59-64786 issued to Yoshida ("Yoshida"). Herein, Applicant included limitations that focused on the cell frames housing the electrodes. Also, Applicant further pointed out that claim 3, without amendment, is in condition for allowance. The Examiner tentatively agreed that the limitations of claim 3 were not taught by Yoshida. Reconsideration in light of the amendments and remarks made herein is respectfully requested.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) be withdrawn. Furthermore, based on the lack of such teachings, any pending rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) should be withdrawn.

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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